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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:53 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); K Perry Yahoo; Frank Bailey
Subject: Fw: Halcro Blog

Pls tell mcAllister that halcro is a lying $+*#_

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From: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 15:40:57

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: FW: Halcro Blog

Dear Governor Palin, This just came in. Talis

From: Otto, Christina L (LAW)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:39 PM

To: Barry, Elizabeth J (LAW)

Cc: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)

Subject: Halcro Blog

The blog about my "resignation" no longer appears on Halcro's webpage.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 9:58 PM
To: Leschper; Beth (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Hoover

That speech is very good. I'm happy to deliver it to the Hoover group if they still have space on the agenda. Thanks

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To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Bailey; Frank T (GOV); Todd; Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Re: What is Happening??

What a dumbass he is. His lies are ridiculous.

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 13:07:44

To:Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>,"Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc:"Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>,"Bailey, Frank T (GOV)" <frank.bailey@alaska.gov>, fek9wnr@yahoo.com,"Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Subject: FW: What is Happening??

FYI, from Halcro's website at the bottom of this email. Just wanted to give you a heads-up in case it is brought up today; didn't want anyone to get blindsided since Tina learned of this from Senator Green's office. Sharon is aware and between her and Tina, we'll take care of it.

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:55 PM

To: Otto, Christina L (LAW); Austerman, Joseph M (CED); 'kccole@mtaonline.net'; Nix, Raymond G (DNR); Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR); Simons, Leta L (DNR)

Cc: Barry, Elizabeth J (LAW); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Subject: RE: What is Happening??

Tina/All-

This is really getting out-of-hand. Something needs to be done to call him on this. He should not be allowed to defame people with outright lies. If it's not corrected, then people that read it will not know otherwise. I'm copying Sharon Leighow in on this. Sharon, bet he didn't call you to verify information like you asked him too.

And, as Kristan already answered the CC legal counsel is still working for the corporation.

As usual his facts are all wrong. He got your name right and that was about it.

Kris

From: Otto, Christina L (LAW)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:41 PM

To: Austerman, Joseph M (CED); 'kccole@mtaonline.net'; Nix, Raymond G (DNR); Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR); Simons, Leta L (DNR); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Cc: Barry, Elizabeth J (LAW)

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I was quietly plugging away on trying to finish my outline regarding the dissolution process when Ginger from Senator Green's office called and told me to take a look at Halcro's Blog. This is what it says:

FLASH: Assistant Attorney General quits due to activity at Mat Maid

We received the following two emails less than thirty minutes apart this morning regarding a breaking situation with Governor Palin's Creamery Board.

Received at 10:43am

Just an FYI on the Mat Maid situation. Tina Otto, Assistant Attorney General who has been handling all the new Creamery Board affairs is resigning. She had been trying to keep the

5 Palin hand picked board members "coloring inside the lines" but is quitting because this bunch is running wild and doing things illegally. She does not want to get trapped by their wrongdoings after she has warned them that what they are doing is illegal. How many people fired or quitting will it take for this administration to realize her board is full of conflict of interest and law breaking? Is there no oversight at all?

I think I still have a job. J Beyond that, I, of course, don't represent the Creamery Board. Did the CC board make a decision to find new counsel? I can't even imagine what prompted this.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 4:00 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: [Research Matters] ISER Research Matters No. 29

From: iser_publications-bounces@lists.uaa.alaska.edu [mailto:iser_publications-bounces@lists.uaa.alaska.edu] **On Behalf Of** ISER Research Announcements
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:56 PM
To: ISER_Publications@lists.uaa.alaska.edu
Subject: [Research Matters] ISER Research Matters No. 29

ISER Research Matters is our effort to quickly let Alaskans know about research findings from the Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER), at the University of Alaska Anchorage. We post these on our Web site and distribute them by e-mail. If you'd like to be removed from or added to our e-mail list, send us a message at ResearchMatters@uaa.alaska.edu

Research Matters No. 29. What Helps Small Businesses Succeed?
February 21, 2008

Starting a business in rural Alaska is hard but not impossible, as existing rural businesses around the state prove. So how do some people overcome the barriers created by small markets, remote location, high costs, and harsh climate, while many others fail? ISER researchers recently analyzed business license patterns to identify favorable community characteristics and surveyed 196 business owners in 19 small rural communities to ask what challenges they face and what could help more businesses succeed. We also did detailed interviews with 30 owners of current and former rural businesses.

The research was sponsored by the Rasmuson Foundation, BP Exploration, Wells Fargo Bank, the U.S. Economic Development Administration, and the University of Alaska Foundation. What did business owners tell us?

- Take a hard look at whether there'll be enough demand for what you offer. Identify either a needed service or an opportunity in a growing industry. Almost a third of the businesses in our survey provided groceries, fuel, and general merchandise, and another third were in air transportation, eating places, lodges, Alaska Native arts, and guiding for sport hunting and fishing.
- Draw up a detailed business plan that accounts for all aspects of the business—expenses, estimated cash flow, management and training of employees, and marketing strategies. Some people told us their businesses had failed because they hadn't understood how to estimate all their likely expenses.
- Get training in business planning, financial management, and day-to-day operations. A quarter of the business owners said they could still use help managing their finances and dealing with other aspects of day-to-day operations. They cited hiring and supervising employees, facing competition from other businesses, getting and using new technology, and having sufficient cash flow to cover expenses as ongoing challenges.
- Government agencies and private organizations can best help small rural businesses by offering more training in financial and operations management for both prospective and current owners and improving rural telephone and Internet connections. One in five business owners said such training and better Internet and phone connections would be the biggest help to them. About one in ten said agencies could help by providing more financing for small businesses and by learning more about the big and ongoing challenges rural businesses face.

Besides what businesses told us, our analysis of community characteristics showed that the the cost of getting to a community; access to scenic public lands, fisheries, or natural resources; and a diverse population are the characteristics that most influence business success.

See summary or full report

For more information about rural business development, contact Christi Bell ayvibes@uaa.alaska.edu , executive director of the Center for Economic Development at ISER.

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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JRBALASH]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:51 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
Subject: Re: Governor Palin - . A-PIC

Governor, we did not direct her to you. I gave her my card in Palmer on Monday night. She asked how to make sure that you got to see it. I told her to give it to either or both of the commissioners, who were both attending that night, and to me.

----- Original Message -----

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To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Cc: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)

Sent: Thu Feb 21 12:30:48 2008

Subject: Re: Governor Palin - . A-PIC

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From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 12:17:38

To:Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc:"Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>,"Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)" <patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>,"Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>,"Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

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Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 8:04 AM

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

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Trapper Creek, Alaska

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Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:47 PM
To: Crome; Cora J (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Crabfest

Pls look for May date for crab fest participation in Kodiak.

Also, maybe Comm Fish debate to watch in March.

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From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:13 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Kenai and Merit Scholarships

Spoke to classes at Kenai High, Soldotna High, and Kenai Middle School this morning. All three warmly received merit scholarship idea. Interestingly, the 11th graders were most active and helped me realize that they really are thinking about what's next after high school.

Got asked questions about gasline, Pebble, our families, etc, nothing unusual.

Hope all is well and that you enjoy your trip East.

Sean

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 11:23 AM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fw: for your review

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From: "Jackson, Karleen K (HSS)" <karleen.jackson@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 11:14:31

To:"Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>,"Kim, Anna C (GOV)" <anna.kim@alaska.gov>,"Hill, Sherry (HSS)" <sherry.hill@alaska.gov>,"Kraly, Stacie L (LAW)" <stacie.kraly@alaska.gov>,ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc:"Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: for your review

Thanks. This looks great and I appreciate the updated number for lawsuits/appeals.

From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 11:00 AM

To: Kim, Anna C (GOV); Hill, Sherry (HSS); Kraly, Stacie L (LAW); Jackson, Karleen K (HSS); ExternalEmailgsp

Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Subject: RE: for your review

Final version to ADN has corrected # of lawsuits.

From: Kim, Anna C (GOV)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:59 AM

To: Hill, Sherry (HSS); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Kraly, Stacie L (LAW); Jackson, Karleen K (HSS); ExternalEmailgsp

Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Subject: RE: for your review

I think after Stacie provided the info last night it was seven versus nine which was old info from me, until I heard from Stacie.

Anna

Anna Clark Kim

Special Staff Assistant

Office of the Governor

From: Hill, Sherry (HSS)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:56 AM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Kim, Anna C (GOV); Kraly, Stacie L (LAW); Jackson, Karleen K (HSS); ExternalEmailgsp

Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Subject: RE: for your review

Importance: High

I just noticed this sentence:

Currently, there are seven active CON lawsuits

Stacie - is this correct?

Do we want to have them say "there are more than seven" so we aren't specific? or do we want to say exactly how many there are?

-Sherry

Note my new e-mail address! Sherry.Hill@alaska.gov

Sherry Hill, MScPR

Assistant Commissioner for Public Affairs

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Juneau, AK 99811-0601

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:40 AM

To: Kim, Anna C (GOV); Kraly, Stacie L (LAW); Jackson, Karleen K (HSS); Hill, Sherry (HSS); ExternalEmailgsp

Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Subject: for your review

All,

The Anchorage Daily News has significantly edited the CON op ed piece. While the piece is much shorter, I think it still conveys a strong message to repeal CON.

The current Certificate of Need program is not working

Governor Sarah Palin

Health care: Do we have too much government or too little? Should we have regulated markets or open markets?

Those are the perennial questions.

And that's what makes the state's proposal to repeal the current Certificate of Need (CON) program so contentious. Yes, there are solid arguments on both sides. But after much consideration, we believe that the program has not accomplished what it set out ultimately to do more than 30 years ago — lower costs for the consumer. It is time to end Alaska's CON program in its present form. Doing so will not only reduce the cost of health care, it will also improve the access to health care, allow more competition and improve quality of care for patients.

CON programs were required in all states in the mid-1970s by federal mandate. The goal was to make sure that health care facilities matched community need and provided access and quality care, which in turn would help reduce health-care costs. The federal mandate was repealed in 1987 — 20 years ago! — along with its federal funding.

The basic assumption in those days was that excess capacity, in the form of overbuilding, directly results in health-care price inflation. However, after more than 30 years of such programs, the National Conference of State Legislatures has found that there is no solid proof that the state-sponsored CON programs have actually controlled health-care costs. In fact, in 2004 the Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Justice both asserted that CON programs actually contribute to rising prices because they inhibit competitive markets.

Many opponents of CON programs have argued that health-care facility development should be left to the economics of each institution, in light of its own market analysis, rather than being subject to political influence.

My administration agrees.

I included repeal of Alaska's current CON program in my proposed Alaska Health Care Transparency Act (SB 245 and HB 337). The legislation will help Alaskans access affordable health care, and ensure our health-care system is responsive to changing demographics and market conditions. By getting information about health-care options to Alaskans, they can make better choices based on the health-care market.

CON is being used by lobbyists and health-care organizations to limit competition – through appeal of other's CON awards or by filing suit against the state for those CON awards. As one member of a citizen committee studying CON in 2007 put it: "the only voices heard (testifying for continuing CON even more stringently) were from the financially vested physicians and hospitals." Currently, there are seven active CON lawsuits involving the state and private sector health care providers

As I said recently in my State of the State Address to the Legislature, "Under our present Certificate of Need process, costs and needs don't drive health-care choices — bureaucracy does. Our system is broken and expensive." Eliminating the CON program, with certain exceptions, will allow free-market competition and reduce onerous government regulation.

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

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Subject: Exxon brief

We'll need good talking pts for press conf in DC on this - and to know what expectations are: do I speak, stand there, introduce people, answer questions, what's the format, etc?

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:21 AM
To: davidaholmes00@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Environment

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:20 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Environment

Web mail from: Mr. David Holmes

address: 1113 West Fireweed Lane #405 Anchorage AK 99503

907-351-8984

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin's Esteemed E-mail Reader;

Your Administration continues with this wolf "hunting" program, even after studies found that many of the biological relationships assumed in Alaska's predator control programs are not entirely understood and concluded that insufficient information exists to determine that such programs increase prey or game populations. Why? Alaska residents have voted twice to ban aerial wolf hunting, and most assuredly will again this year. Both times the Alaskan people voted against these control programs, the Alaska Legislature overturned the will of the people and allowed the State to re-create the programs after the two-year initiatives expired. Again: Why?

It is as though your Administration is completely out of touch. Much like the ill-founded belief that the polar bear will simply adapt to the loss of sea ice and its natural habitats, the science just doesn't back up your position on the issue.

So go back to the drawing board. Think these things all the way through. The wolf's survival is far more important to Alaska than the meager bits of money brought in by tourist-hunters.

Best Regards,

David Holmes

http://www.akwildlife.com/WhoEatsMoose.pdf

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:20 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: NEWS NOTES from UAS for January/February

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From: Bonnie Elsensohn [mailto:Bonnie.Elsensohn@uas.alaska.edu]

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:04 AM

Subject: NEWS NOTES from UAS for January/February

Here's what's been happening around Sitka Campus lately.

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Media Specialist

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From: Skymajor@aol.com

Sent: Saturday, February 23, 2008 3:23 PM

To: andora@nushtel.net

Cc: ray@kreig.com; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Rep_Craig_Johnson@legis.state.ak.us; Dyson; Fred (LAA)

Subject: Re: Connecting Bristol Bay to the Railbelt Energy Grid

Dear Nels,

Thanks for this email copy.

I am supportive of such a grid, especially one whose foundations are built on hydro like the Susitna dams and Lake Chakachamna. FYI, Dennis Nottingham has a nice map of transmission lines emanating from the big hydro projects at Susitna and running to Dillingham, Bethel, Chignik, the Ahtna region, and more....and providing for connections to communities all along those routes.

Such a project would forever change life for the better throughout the regions served by that grid. Hydro-based power would free us from the roller coaster ride of oil and gas pricing and provide for stable local energy prices throughout what would be a 50 - 100 year project life.

There is nothing to stop us from doing such a project except vision and will power. I believe that during this session Representative Craig Johnson has sponsored a bill that would fund a new look at the economics of the hydro projects. I am supportive and hopeful that Alaska would find matching Federal funds for that effort.

I trust you and yours are well. Please give my regards to Everett, Greta and Dorothy.

Best regards,
Bill Noll

In a message dated 2/23/2008 11:34:08 A.M. Alaskan Standard Time, andora@nushtel.net writes:

> For Your Information
> Nels Anderson, Jr.
> Dillingham
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> ----- Original Message -----
> **Subject:** RE: Connecting Bristol Bay to the Railbelt Energy Grid and Constructing an Alaska State-Wide Energy Grid
> **Date:** Sat, 23 Feb 2008 08:21;05 -0900
> **From:** Nels and Dorothy <andora@nushtel.net>
> **Reply-To:** andora@nushtel.net
> **Organization:** Co-Man Services
> **To:** Governor Palin <Governor@gov.state.ak.us>, "Lt. Governor Parnell" <Sean_Parnell@gov.state.ak.us>, Bob Martin <bob.martin@goldbelt.com>, George Cannelos <GCannelos@denali.gov>, James Strandberg <JStrandberg@aidea.org>, Mike Harper <mharper@aidea.org>, D-J-Bouker <d-j-bouker@nushtel.net>, Henry Strub <hstrub@nushtel.net>, Senator Donny Olson <Senator_Donny_Olson@legis.state.ak.us>, "Sen. Albert Kookesh" <Senator_Albert_Kookesh@legis.state.ak.us>, "Rep. Woodie Salmon"

<Representative_Woodie_Salmon@legis.state.ak.us>, "Rep. Mary Nelson" <Representative_Mary_Nelson@legis.state.ak.us>, Mike Bradner <mbradner@gci.net>, Tim Towarek <tim@beringstraits.com>, BB Times <bbtimes@nushtel.com>

CC: Greta Goto <smokd_salmon@hotmail.com>, Ev <everette.anderson@yahoo.com>, Harold Heinze <hheinze@jpo.doi.gov>, Tony Izzo <tizzo@gci.net>, President Lyda Green <Senator_Lyda_Green@legis.state.ak.us>, Speaker John Harris <Representative_John_Harris@legis.state.ak.us>, "Pres. Hamilton" <sypres@alaska.edu>, Chancellor Steve Jones <fychanc@uaf.edu>, Bernice Joseph <fnbmj@uaf.edu>, Debbie McLean <rfdlm@uaf.edu>, Meera Kohler <mkohler@avec.org>, Todd Radenbaugh <bftar@uaf.edu>, Rebekah Luhrs <vista@swamc.org>, Julie Kitka <NevaKitka@aol.com>, George Quinto <gquinto@akvillages.com>, RuralCap <dhardenbergh@ruralcap.com>, AITC <aitc@alaskaintertribal.org>, Earle Ausman <earle@polarconsult.net>, Commissioner Emil Notti <Emil_Notti@commerce.state.ak.us>, Commissioner Tom Irwin <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>, "Dep. Commissioner Marty Rutherford" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>, Ralph Andersen <randersen@bbna.com>, Steve Denton <steve@usibelli.com>, Steve Lindbeck <steve.lindbeck@uaa.alaska.edu>, Steven Angasan <steven_angasan@yahoo.com>, Eddie Angasan <eddie@bristolbay.com>, Mary Jane Nielsen <savonoski@aol.com>, Ted Angasan <Ftasnvc@aol.com>, Moses <mkritz@unicom-alaska.com>, Aleknagik <cityalek@nushtel.com>, Malcolm B Roberts <mbroberts@gci.net>, Kyle Von Bose <kvonbose@alaskanewspapers.com>, Tundra Drums <drumsnews@gci.net>, editor/Juneau Empire <editor@juneauempire.com>, Editor-News Miner <editor@newsminer.com>, Editors/Frank Gerjevic <fgerjevic@adn.com>

Feb 23, 2008

Dear Governor Palin:

I sent this email to Senator Hoffman and Rep. Edgmon asking them to expand the scope of the Railbelt Electrical Grid Authority Study.

It has become clear to me that the shortest distance to energy security for our villages is an electric line that connects us to the Railbelt Energy Grid and a yet-to-be constructed Alaska State-Wide Energy Grid.

Our energy policy needs to advocate that our regions across the state begin plans to build regional electrical energy grids. Then we should be working on a policy that will have the state planning and building an Alaska State-Wide Energy Grid that will ensure that all of our communities across the state will have a long-term, affordable, reliable source of energy.

We have vast renewable and nonrenewable resources all across the state that can contribute electrical power to a State-Wide Energy Grid. The Northwest has immense coal supplies, we have geothermal resources all along the Alaska Range and Aleutian Chain, we have hydro power potential, natural gas reserves of untold magnitude, coal-bed methane, peat bogs, wind energy across the state, tidal resources, and many other acceptable alternatives that can have the entire state contributing power to a State-Wide Energy Grid.

With Susitna back on the menu of energy sources, it makes sense to expand the Railbelt Energy Grid to include all of the rest of the state of Alaska.

In the near term, while we are developing the plans to build a State-Wide Energy Grid, we need to cap our energy costs by initiating electrical and fuel subsidies to stabilize the ever increasing costs of natural gas, gasoline, heating fuel, diesel, aviation fuel, propane, and electricity. Energy costs are approaching unsustainable levels so the state must step in to keep our communities viable until we are all connected to a common State-Wide Energy Grid.

Thank you for your consideration on this very important effort to energize the entire state of Alaska.

Best regards,

Nels Anderson, Jr.
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Dillingham, Alaska 99576
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-------- Original Message --------

Subject: RE: Connecting Bristol Bay to the Railbelt Energy Grid
Date: Fri, 22 Feb 2008 17:39:37 -0900
From: Nels and Dorothy <andora@nushtel.net>
Reply-To: andora@nushtel.net
Organization: Co-Man Services
To: Sen. Lyman Hoffman <Senator_Lyman_Hoffman@legis.state.ak.us>, Rep. Bryce Edgmon <Representative_Bryce_Edgmon@legis.state.ak.us>
CC: Governor Palin <Governor@gov.state.ak.us>, "Lt. Governor Parnell" <Sean_Parnell@gov.state.ak.us>, Commissioner Emil Notti <Emil_Notti@commerce.state.ak.us>, Commissioner Tom Irwin <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>, "Dep. Commissioner Marty Rutherford" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>, Greta Goto <smokd_salmon@hotmail.com>, Ev <everette.anderson@yahoo.com>
References: <47BF23DD.5070501@nushtel.net>

Feb 22,2008

Dear Senator Hoffman and Representative Edgmon:

As Bristol Bay looks at its energy future, it becomes clear that
we have to plan on connecting all of our villages to a common regional
energy grid AND eventually into a State-Wide Energy Grid.

The legislature appropriated $800,000.00 to do a study on the Railbelt Energy Grid.

The Railbelt Electrical Grid Authority study was funded by a legislative appropriation of $800,000 to study the concept of a Railbelt Electrical Grid Authority, an independent system operator, to manage and dispatch electric power on the Railbelt Grid. The web page addressing this can be found at http://www.akenergyauthority.org/USOhomepage.html.

I am asking you to consider expanding that study to make it a State-Wide Energy Grid Authority Study to connect all of our communities across the state. If Alaska is going to ever develop its communities across the state, we all have to be connected to a state-wide energy grid to ensure a reliable, affordable, and long-term source of energy

As the Railbelt utilities are economically regulated by the RCA, any interconnection would need to be approved by the RCA. There would need to be an agreement between all utilities providing power and state-wide utilities purchasing the power on rates and availability. This would need to be approved by the RCA as well.

One comment: now that Susitna Dam is under consideration again, any plans for a transmission line to SW Alaska should be a consideration in the sizing of the Susitna project.

In addition, with the prospect of a geothermal project being proposed by the Naknek Electric Association, Bristol Bay could be providing clean energy to the Railbelt and the rest of the state IF we are connected to the Railbelt Energy Grid and/or a State-Wide Energy Grid.

Thank you for your consideration.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:03 AM
To: Francis; Shawn P SPC NGAK (DMVA Sponsored)
Subject: RE: Military_and_Veterans_Affairs

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 10:14 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Military_and_Veterans_Affairs

Web mail from: Shawn Francis

address: 3135 n Marcos Cir Wasilla AK 99654

907-746-5315

MESSAGE:

Governor:

I am the military Funeral Honors NCIOC For this fine state and I have just had some very upsetting news brought to my attention. There have been thousands of remains of vets found in basements and closets of Funeral homes across our Nation. I am writing to see if this is happening in our fine state that you or your Staff know of, and if so Would you as the governor of this Great State be willing to help me in fixing this.

I as Funeral Honors NCIOC for the state Find this very sad that this is being allowing to happen to our fallen Bothers and sisters to be treated this way. I take the job I do for this State in Funeral Honors very serious and think that no soldier should be put to rest without the respect of his/her country or state.In this case not yet being put to rest but setting on shelves awaiting their Honors that they are owed.

shawn.p.francis@us.army.mil

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 8:35 AM
To: PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Katz; John W (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: FW: Google Alert - Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline

The comment was made in a Reuters interview the other day - in the context of answering a reporter's question on what we can do with Pt Thomson.

I did say we always have the opportunity to legally challenege producers if they refuse to abide by provisions in the leases they've held for 30 yrs, for instance in the case of Exxon at Pt T.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)" <sr.parnell@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 08:16:44

To:"Katz, John W (GOV)" <jwkatz@alaskadc.org>

Cc:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: FW: Google Alert - Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline

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I read the article and from my base of knowledge the governor's statement is accurate.

As I indicated previously, Law can talk you through the legal theory but they likely can't provide a detailed analysis nor would it be adviseable (in my view only) to do so as it would likely divulge legal strategy. The producers know all about their duty to develop under the leases--

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Sean

----- Original Message -----

From: John Katz <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

To: Drue Pearce <dpearce@arcticgas.gov>; PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Thu Feb 21 07:53:55 2008

Subject: Re: FW: Google Alert - Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline

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John and Sean:

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Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 6:37 PM

To: Drue Pearce

Subject: Google Alert - Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline

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Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 8:17 AM
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Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 7:17 AM
To: Katz; John W (GOV)
Cc: Leschper; Beth (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV); Michael Tibbles; Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Bishop; Samuel T (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Senator McCain/Climate Change

Thanks very much.

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From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

Date: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 09:34:51

To:"Governor Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc:"Beth C (GOV) Leschper" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>,"Janice L (GOV) Mason" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>,"Michael Tibbles" <michael.tibbles@alaska.gov>,"Mike Nizich" <Mike.Nizich@alaska.gov>,"Sam Bishop" <sbishop@ALASKADC.org>,<kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: Senator McCain/Climate Change

In preparation for your meeting with Senator McCain, I have attached a memorandum prepared previously by Sam Bishop, and reviewed by DEC, that documents the impact of certain climate change policies on Alaska.

I doubt that Senator McCain will alter his position on climate change. However, you might get him to agree that Alaska presents certain unique circumstances that should be addressed in any federal policy.

Among other things, we are not on the national electricity grid, and we don't have as much flexibility as many other states to switch to alternative energy generation. Yet, through the climate change sub-cabinet, we are seeking to address climate change and greenhouse gas emissions.

It might also be interesting to mention our problem with coastal erosion and the need to relocate or protect a number of villages.

P.S.

Further regarding your meeting with Secretary Kempthorne, his staff has been touting federal OCS revenue sharing, and he may raise this as well. The State strongly supports this, as does the Alaska Congressional delegation, which has made various

attempts to enact legislation. However, OCS revenue sharing is problematic in Congress because of budget concerns (even though enacted for Louisiana, etc), and there is no evidence of support from federal OMB.

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From: AnneMarie Mattacchione [amattacchione@pnlchs.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 8:29 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV); Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Dirk Shumaker; Mark Lackey; Kim Bergey; Debi Baldwin
Subject: Request to Meet with Governor Palin

Dear Ms. Smith:

It was a pleasure to meet you at the Governor's Mansion on the afternoon of February 4th, 2008. The reception provided to the Alaska Head Start Association will not soon be forgotten.

I had the pleasure of talking with Governor Palin during that reception and was encouraged by her commitment to get to know Alaska Head Start programs better.

As you are aware, the Governor demonstrated her commitment by allocating $600,000 for Head Start programs to provide services to children on our wait list. We applaud her for making Alaska Head Start programs a priority in the budget. Unfortunately, the house sub finance committee did not support the increase.

There are many steps the Association is taking toward raising awareness about the importance of Head Start in local communities, the state legislator and the media.

On behalf of the Alaska Head Start Association, we would like to request a meeting with Governor Palin to discuss her perspective concerning the elimination of the $600,000 allocation. It is our intent to support the Governor in her wish to increase the number of children receiving Head Start services throughout Alaska.

Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

AnneMarie Mattacchione
President
Alaska Head Start Association
amattacchione@pnlchs.net
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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 8:22 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: State Chamber Capital Notes February 20, 2008

From: Wayne Stevens [mailto:wstevens@alaskachamber.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 6:07 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: State Chamber Capital Notes February 20, 2008

Alaska State Chamber of Commerce

Capital Notes

www.alaskachamber.com **Wednesday February 20, 2008**

1/3 of 90 Day Session Already Passed!

Session is moving along at a much quicker pace than in previous years. Many staffers and legislators are rather frustrated with the accelerated pace and schedule of committee hearings, budget subcommittees and floor sessions. Both Legislative bodies have scheduled additional meetings with both bodies often working longer hours and on weekends. Working with the Senate Labor and Commerce Committee, State Chamber staff has already spent multiple Saturdays, working through complex issues surrounding unemployment insurance.

Budget Subcommittees have been garnering the most attention of late. A number of the subcommittees held meetings all day Saturday and part of Sunday this past holiday weekend in order to close out their budgets. On the House side, final reports from budget subcommittees are due this week, with the full Finance Committee expected to wrap up the state's operating budget by the end of the week or early next week. Leadership in the House and the Senate are making it a priority to pass the operating budget early.

Budget

As proposed by Governor Palin, the state's operating budget is up considerably. Final numbers from the House and Senate will be available in coming weeks. Folks in the legislature are a little more conservative including many of the Democrats, who are advocating holding the budget firm with slight increases for inflation. Real wrangling will take place when legislators decide how much money to save and in which account. Expected surpluses as of the last revenue report, suggest that Alaska could have an additional $3.5 to $4 billion in surplus cash. The State Chamber has suggested saving money in the CBR while returning the budget to FY 06 numbe! rs with slight inflationary increases for each year afterwards.

90 to 120 Days

A few legislators have already mentioned a desire to change the 90-day session once the 2-year limitation on changing referendums ends. Expect legislation next year to return the legislature to the 120-day schedule.

Gasline

As reported in our last capital notes section, we ended with, "It appears there is no clear resolution in sight." While this statement may still have some validity, we met with the Governor's office in order to get a better grasp of where the administration was going in regards to the Gasline. Under the previous administration, the focus was on putting together a simple contract with a few details mapped out, such as location of the gas, percentages for the state and how big the pipe was going to be, etc.

As this administration has clearly pointed out, there are so many variables to consider currently, and into the future, that it is nearly impossible to determine the scope of a contract until those variables are identified. The process as the administration sees it- is that we have a potential company that is willing to proceed with the certificate to build the line. Gaining a certificate to build will get the ball rolling on the planning, permitting and scoping of the entire project. That process alone will likely take 5-6 years. As the state reaches the next bench mark of gaining a certificate of approval, then companies interested in building, paying and negotiating for cost differentials will be approached to determine the best step forward for the state. As the administration put it, "we have to go down this trail in order to determine which path to take. The folks further suggested that without making some headway, we won't be able to make a proper choice when the time presents itself.

We look forward to the administration's current progress, but we will keep a watchful eye as things develop.

Governor Announces Town Hall Meetings on the AGIA Gasline Process

Governor Palin's gasline team has scheduled a series of 16 public town hall meetings around the state February 18-28 to update Alaskans on the efforts that are being taken to advance a gasline under the Alaska Gasline Inducement Act (AGIA). The meetings are to provide information and encourage Alaskans to make their voices heard by submitting written comments before the March 6 public comment deadline.

The town hall meetings will provide as much information as possible about how AGIA works, the applications that were filed under the Act and what will happen next. Following a presentation there will be a question and answer period.

The presentation will provide an overview of AGIA and describe the process that was used to determine whether the five applicants met the requirements to be considered for a license under AGIA. Members of the gasline team will also explain the evaluation process required by AGIA and how public comments will be considered.

The public is encouraged to submit written comments before the March 6 deadline, through the AGIA website, in writing or by fax. Details on how and where to submit comments are available at www.dog.dnr.state.ak.us/agia. The same website contains details about the meeting times and locations.

All meetings will be from 6-8 p.m. except for Barrow, which will be from 2-5 p.m. and Anchorage, which will be from 7 - 9 p.m. The remaining schedule of meetings follows:

February 20
Sitka - Harrigan Centennial Hall, Maksoutoff Room
Kotzebue - NWAB Assembly Chambers
McGrath - Cap'n Snow Center Assembly Room

February 21

Ketchikan - Cape Fox Lodge, Mountain Room
Nome - Old St. Joseph's Church Hall
Bethel - UAF Kuskokwim Campus, Yup'iit Piciryarait Cultural Center

February 22
Juneau - Centennial Hall, Hickel Room

February 25
Delta Junction - Community Center
Kenai - Kenai Peninsula College

February 26
Barrow - Inupiat Heritage Center
Dillingham - Dillingham Middle School Gymnasium

February 27
Fairbanks - Carlson Center
Kodiak - High School Commons

February 28
Valdez - Valdez Convention and Civic Center, Ballroom 1

State Chamber Annual Fly-In to hold Gasline Presentations

The State Chamber of Commerce is hoping as schedules are currently being configured to hold presentations on the natural gas pipeline by the folks in the know. TransCanada, administration representatives and a member of the legislature have all been invited offer their insights on the gasline process. If all the folks invited can make it, the format should be interesting and informative for Chamber memebrs that attend.

Unemployment Insurance-SB 120

The State Chamber has been working diligently with Sen. Johnny Ellis on SB 120. SB 120 as originally introduced would have raised employer's contribution rates in order to increase the benefit payouts for those eligible for unemployment insurance. This bill is similar in scope to legislation from previous years in which we have continually been involved. After having multiple stakeholder meetings last year and multiple committee meetings this year, the State Chamber along with other business interests, have been able to reach an agreement on compromise legislation. Currently, the committee substitute will cost employers zero new dollars while providing modest increases for unemployment insurance (UI). The current UI program for disbursement of ! benefits uses tables that are close to 25 years in age no additional dollars for inflation. It has been a real pleasure for the State Chamber in working with Sen. Ellis and his staff to draft business friendly legislation.

We are ever watchful regarding bills that may have a negative impact on your business. Here is a short list of bills with great potential to impact your business.

HB 42 - Increases to Alaska Minimum Wage rate
HB 65-Personal Information and Consumer Credit
HB 125 - Long Range Fiscal Plan
HB 147 - Tourism Contract Matching Funds
SB 120-Unemployment Insurance
SB 117-Presumptive Coverage for worker's compensation
SB 245-Governor's Health care omnibus and certificate of need

SB 147-Worker's Compensation Employer Liability
SB 160 - Mandated Health Insurance

State Chamber of Commerce

While there are a number of issues the State Chamber is working on, if there is an issue that is important to you and your business, please let the staff at the Alaska State Chamber of Commerce know of your concerns.

Following Legislation?

Any person can follow the legislative process and access new bills, committee substitutes or determine which legislator is on a particular committee in the Legislative Bill Action and Status Inquiry System (BASIS). You can see what committee a bill is in, when it will be heard, how committee members voted, and much more. You can also view all bills relating to your specific areas of interest by selecting "Subject Summary" from the menu on the right. Just click on the link below and bookmark it for later use.
http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/start.asp

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From: Potter, Janet [Janet.Potter@usdoj.gov]
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From:

The Juneau Chamber of Commerce
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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 8:19 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Sandy Sandvik

From: Lucky You...It's Sandy~ [mailto:aksmyles@gci.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 9:05 PM
To: Palin, Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: Sandy Sandvik

Hi Sarah,
I wonder if you remember me...Matt Sandvik's Mom.Sandy?
Well, just think that if you want to run for president, Im ready to
get out there and help you win! We need you in there to stir it up!
You ready? Anyway, I think you are doing an excellent job in your
position. Also, I believe you met a Soldier named Tony Draino in Iraq.
He was real proud. Has it on his my space. Anyway, thought I would share
it with you........I don't know that you will get it but Hello and Blessings to YOU and YOURS!
Sandy Sandvik

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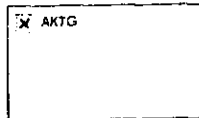
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A Note From Our Preside

As usual I am late getting my portion out on time. There is no reason other struggling about what I want to focus but to you. I have focused on our pre I have left out the most important par

It is hard to believe that in February o Apperson Hearst founded the National *as the PTA.* When they created this o this country to help eliminate the thre founded the PTA they had more than : more than they could have asked for, father, teachers, legislators and labor mind and that was help the children.

Whether the year is 2008 or 1897 we goals, and that is to protect and advo those issues may be the same, but as complexity of our concerns. We may child labor laws, or mandatory immun educational funding, NCLB changes, a

No matter what the challenge may be educators and legislators to work toge successful. It is with your help and su advocate on behalf of Alaska's childre support that National PTA has been do McLellan Birney and Phoebe Apperson started then would develop and grow members has grown to over 6 million organization continues to evolve we w for all children.

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Alaska PTA President

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Reflections Update

State judging for Reflections will be held on February 23rd in Anchorage. Finalists in each category will be notified by mail in March. The state Reflections awards program will be held on Friday, April 18, 2008 at the annual Alaska PTA convention in Fairbanks. Invitations will be sent in early April.

Tips for Treasurers

Please remember that all dues need to be submitted by March 31, 2008 to the Alaska PTA for both state and national dues. Also, if you have not sent in your insurance premium payment for 2007 – 2008, please remit it. As units pay their insurance, we forward their name and address to AIM Insurance to be issued a certificate of insurance showing the coverage for the current year.

Only those units that have paid their insurance and membership dues will be allowed to send voting delegates to the PTA Convention in Fairbanks on April 17 – 19, 2008. The membership chair will be notifying the units at the end of March as to the number of votes they have at convention in accordance with their membership that has been reported and recorded.

Legislative Priorities Survey Results

First let me say, *YOU ARE AWESOME! THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN OUR FIRST ON-LINE SURVEY!!!*

I hope you enjoyed this as much as we did. After canceling the Annual Issues Conference due to lack of attendance we were stumped on how to get input from members on what they would like to have as legislative priorities. The number of people who responded to the survey is triple the number of delegates that can physically come to the Issues Conference.

You had great comments and suggestions that will give the State Board of Managers direction. We adopted the changes recommended and our next step will be to develop 'Talking Points' on each priority.

Click here http://www.alaskapta.org/2008LegislativePriorities.pdf to review the 2008 Legislative Priorities.

Next steps for you? Attend, if you can, the Legislative Fly In, March 4 & 5, 2008 to talk with your Senators and Representative in person. The Alaska PTA has a registration form and more information on the Advocacy page of our web site. You may have also received the information via email if we have your email address. Please do register so we can bring enough packets to Juneau for you to hand out and help you in any other way we can. This is PTA advocacy in action and is a legitimate expense for PTA boards.

If you cannot attend the Fly In, you still can contact your Senator and Representative by email or snail mail.

The Alaska PTA President, President-Elect, and Legislative Chair will be traveling to Washington D.C. to attend the National PTA Legislative Conference (funded by NPTA) and will be attending workshops concerning Juvenile Justice and No Child Left Behind so we will have current updated materials to pass on for your information.

Again, thank you for participating and you will find the complete results of the survey at http://www.alaskapta.org/

Paula Pawlowski, Legislative Chair

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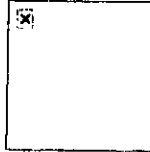
H.U.G.S.

Items to be sent to the Alaska PTA office to be a **"HEALTHY UNIT IN GOOD STANDING":**

1. Current Officers List
2. Insurance Premium Payment
3. Membership List
4. Membership Dues
5. Updated Bylaws (should be updated every 5 years)
6. Annual Audit for the 2006-2007 school year
7. 990EZ form filed if required

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From: Potter, Janet [Janet.Potter@usdoj.gov]
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Subject: RE: Becker Letter for Solicitor General Feb 20081.doc
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Thank you.

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February 19, 2008

The Honorable Paul D. Clement
Solicitor General of the United States
Office of the Solicitor General
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530-0001

Re: Southeast Alaska Conservation Council et al. v. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Dear Solicitor General Clement:

I have been an Alaska Commercial Fisherman for over 40 years. During that time I have always been involved in the broad array of issues that could have an impact on the clean water and habitat that is vital to the health of my industry. Such is the case of the Kensington Mine located near one of our very successful salmon fisheries in Lynn Canal.

For nearly 20-years other Southeast Alaska Gillnetters and I have followed Coeur Alaska and Goldbelt in their efforts to open the Kensington Gold Mine and build a dock at Cascade Point. They have frequently requested our input to insure that the developments would have no impact on a valuable fishery. Our communications have been productive and resulted in a mutually acceptable project that was permitted by all the agencies in July 2005.

It was important that during construction, Coeur Alaska hired and contracted locally. In fact,

over 50% of a plus 380 person work force was Native-affiliated. Unfortunately, those year-round, high paying jobs were halted by the injunction.

We ask that you join Coeur Alaska and Goldbelt Inc. and urge the Supreme Court to review the decision of the Ninth Circuit Court in which SEACC, Lynn Canal Conservation, and the Sierra Club sued the agencies for granting 404 permits to Coeur Alaska and Goldbelt. It is our opinion that the agencies were correct in issuing these permits and that the Ninth Circuit Court has made a questionable reading of the Clean Water Act in this case.

The decision by the Ninth Circuit Court vacating Goldbelt's 404 permit is a gross injustice to the intent of Congress when it enacted the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act providing these lands to Goldbelt with the intent that they be used for economic development and betterment of Goldbelt's stockholders. It is disappointing that SEACC, Lynn Canal Conservation and the Sierra Club are using this lawsuit to block Goldbelt's ability to develop its land in an environmentally responsible manner.

Sincerely,

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 2:25 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Invitation to Research to Roadmap: Center for Women's Business Research's 2008 Symposium

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To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Invitation to Research to Roadmap: Center for Women's Business Research's 2008 Symposium

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Please join the Center for Women's Business Research
at our 2008 National Symposium,
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Cc:	Mason; Janice L (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV)
Subject:	Re: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

Thanks so much Stacie. We'll chop the reference to Privileged from the op-ed so we don't spend too many of our allotted 675 words explaining them all. Thanks much!

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From: "Kraly, Stacie L (LAW)" <stacie.kraly@alaska.gov>

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To:"Kim, Anna C (GOV)" <anna.kim@alaska.gov>, gov.sarah@yahoo.com,"Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>,"Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc:"Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>,"Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

There are seven current lawsuits and one administrative appeal (listed below):

1. Fuhs v. Gilberston (Supreme Court)
2. Alaska Open Imaging v. Jackson (Supreme Court)
3. Dr. Bridges v. Jackson (superior court)
4. Dr. Bridges v. Jackson (admin appeal)
5. Mat-Su Valley v. Advanced Medical Centers (superior court)
6. Advanced Medical Centers v. Kobuk Ventures, Fairbanks Memorial and DHSS (superior court)
7. Fairbanks Memorial v. Advanced Medical Centers, Kobuk and DHSS (superior court)
8. South Anchorage Ambulatory Surgery Center v. DHSS (superior court)

There was one other appeal between Imaging Associates of Providence and DHSS, but the administrative law judge said Imaging Associates was not a physicians' office therefore they needed a CON. Imaging Associates did not appeal, and filed a CON in January of this year. The Kelly bill would resolve this issue in favor of Imaging Associates (as well as items 2, 3, and 4 on the above list).

More information than you probably wanted, but I was not sure what everyone was looking for vis-à-vis the status of the litigation. I can provide more if necessary.

Stacie L. Kraly

Chief Assistant Attorney General

Human Services Section

907.465.4164 (direct)

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From: Kim, Anna C (GOV)

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 7:57 PM

To: ExternalEmailgsp; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Kraly, Stacie L (LAW)

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Subject: Re: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

I think nine but I will defer to Stacie at Law.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Kim, Anna C (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Sent: Wed Feb 20 19:35:58 2008

Subject: Re: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

Are there eight or nine CON lawsuits pending that involve the state and private sector?

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Cc:"Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>,"Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

Touched base with Sharon on Privileged or Personal Material Redacted and after that good to go.

Anna Clark Kim

Special Staff Assistant

Office of the Governor

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 4:03 PM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Kim, Anna C (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Subject: Re: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

Janice has the last couple of changes and we need to check on Privileged or Personal reference.

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To:Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: may I sent the op ed to Zencey?

Sharon Leighow

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Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 2:26 PM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: Bailey; Frank T (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: operating budget

Man, Gara is asking great questions on the op budget roll out. They were trying to skate by w/out mentioning which governor proposals were removed. Gara has already dinged them on the CBR approp and the Head Start approp.

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From: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 2:30 PM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; 'Todd'

Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)

Subject: Phase 2 Governor's House Water Pipe Replacement Project June 1- August 15, 2008

Hello Governor and Todd,

I met with the project managers, engineers and contractors to review the upcoming plumbing project. I've attached a copy of a basic overview of Phase 2 of the Water Pipe Replacement Project and also copied it below. Please note that there are a couple of questions that I have in regards to the project. If you would like detailed information I can get copies of the plans and project schedule, if not I'll have a set in the office. I'm happy to answer any questions or address any concerns that you may have.

Thank you,
Erika

Erika Fagerstrom
Executive Residence Manager
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State of Alaska, Office of the Governor
716 Calhoun Avenue, Juneau, Alaska 99801
Phone: 907-465-3500; Fax: 907-465-2031

Phase Two Governor's House Water Pipe Replacement Project

Project Dates
Begin: June 2, 2008
Completion: August 15, 2008

Contractor: Silverbow Construction
Subcontractor: Harri's Plumbing & Heating

Contractor's Request: To start project 1 ½ weeks early Monday, May 26th.
Please advise if this will work with your schedule as the last day of school in Juneau is Wednesday, May 30th.

Governor or First Gentleman's Requests: Please let me know what rooms and floors are the priorities to have finished during the sheetrock/patch/repair phase of this project.

Impact to the House
- Water shut down to the building during the entire project.
- Demolition for 1 ½ weeks beginning with the basement and working up to the third floor. Plumbing work is followed up with inspections, then sheetrock, patch and repairs.

- The House will not be livable, hotel/living accommodations would be arranged for the First Family during their time in Juneau.

Basement- garage, family room, shop, mechanical room
1st Floor- Library and Ballroom
2nd Floor- Master Bedroom closet, Master bath and Family Room bath
3rd Floor- West & East Suite bathrooms, Linen closets.

This is a tight schedule with many unknown factors that can cause delays to the project. During the first phase of the project contractors had to work around House events, including the Open House and other holidays where they did not have access to the House for at least 2 weeks. With these interruptions and unexpected work, phase one of the project was still completed very close to the scheduled completion date. During the *second phase* there will not be events scheduled at the House, as this phase is more invasive to the public and living areas and the water will be shut off to the entire building. Given the track record of the contractors work during phase one I don't foresee any major delays with phase two.

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:18 PM
To: Sarah Palin
Cc: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: FW: Governor Palin - . A-PIC

Governor - This woman called the other day stating that she had approached the gas line team (commissioner's) and they had told her to pursue this through you and that her idea was worth looking into. I have let Ms. Moore know that it has been received and delivered. Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: April Moore [mailto:aprilmoore@starband.net]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 8:04 AM

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Subject: Governor Palin - . A-PIC

Dear Governor Palin,

My first thoughts, I bring this to you because time is short if this concept is to work. As we saw last night, the Federal government would like to direct how Alaska does business. I am so frustrated with the notion that we have to hold out our hands and beg for money to build our roads and bridges! Our delegation in Washington has worked for decades to get money for the Knik Arm Bridge, just to have it shot down in a political fever and catch phrase Bridges To No Where.

In a way we deserve it, because Alaskans, to date, have given up revenues that could have been ours, we could have had billions more for our oil. But now is a new day.

The following is just a rough idea, I know it needs the expertise you and your staff could work out.

This has the potential to be bigger than the Permanent Fund. It took a dynamic governor of that day to get it through. You are just such a person, and I can see this as something that could be looked on in just the same light. A HUGE leap froward for Alaskans and our Constitution!

Feel free to let me know what you think would improve it.

I would like to continue to be involved in this, and if we go forward, eventually serve on the board of directors.

Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

April Moore

ALASKA - PIPELINE INVESTMENT CORPORATION A-PIC

Acronyms are often the key to helping people promote a good idea. Take AGIA for example...everyone in the state knows what that means, they don't actually know how it affects them, but it has a familiar sound and feels right....The legislature agreed, and passed it. Now we are all trying to figure out how it affects us, and getting GAS TO SOUTH CENTRAL..after all isn't that what we want!

The current administration was elected for that very reason, the people wanted gas - ALASKAN GAS for ALASKANS, and after that we want our gas to get to market to ensure future generations of Alaskans have secure jobs and economic stability.

The problem is, the only company that has submitted a bid under AGIA that has met all the requirements, will not be building it in state, as most of Alaskans want....OUT go all those jobs, but worst of all, the value added economic stimulus that having the gas transported through a gas line built and OWNED by Alaskans would secure.

That's right folks - I propose that Alaskans form an ALASKAN PIPELINE INVESTMENT CORPORATION. The purpose of which is to build the pipeline

from the North Slope, to Valdez.

The core of this concept is:

- Every man, woman, and child that is a legal residence of Alaska by December 31, 2008 would hold one share.

- Money now invested out side of Alaska, OUR MONEY would be brought home, and invested in a project that would multiply it many times over the way it is currently being invested.

- Once gas is being transported through the pipeline, dividends over and above the Permanent Fund Dividend, would be paid to each Alaskan shareholder.

- Just like with shareholders in native corporations, these shares would be retained by the people they were issued to, or their heirs.

- As with the ALYESKA PIPELINE Corporation, which was formed by the big oil companies to build the Oil Pipeline, tariffs would be charged for all gas going through the pipeline, and paid out to all shareholders. The oil companies have, over the years, earned BILLIONS on the oil just because it was transported through their pipeline.

- A-PIC shareholders would earn a yearly dividend on each cubic foot of gas transported through OUR pipeline! This could be in the thousands of dollars each year. 35,000,000,000,000 - that's 35 TRILLION Cubic feet of known gas reserves being transported through OUR pipeline paying dividends to all shareholders. The current estimates being closer to 240-260 trillion cubic feet. Dividends could be a % of the revenue, the rest could be used much like current sources, some to the general fund, some to the permanent fund, and some in inflation proofing.

- The new oil leases on Federal grounds in the Chukchi Sea will bring

little if any revenue to Alaska, unless we collect tariffs on gas going through OUR pipeline.

ALASKANS the time is now! We can not afford to lose high paying jobs as just happened in Kenai with the closing of the Agrium plant! We can't afford the high cost of heating our homes, and we can't afford the high electric bills brought about with declining gas reserves here in south central. Most of all we can't afford to be at the mercy of the oil companies or even the federal government in developing our natural resources.

A-PIC , building a pipeline for our future!

April Moore
Trapper Creek, Alaska

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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:41 PM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Subject: FW: Halcro Blog

Dear Governor Palin, This just came in. Talis

From: Otto, Christina L (LAW)
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:39 PM
To: Barry, Elizabeth J (LAW)
Cc: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Halcro Blog

The blog about my "resignation" no longer appears on Halcro's webpage.

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From: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 2:30 PM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; 'Todd'

Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)

Subject: Phase 2 Governor's House Water Pipe Replacement Project June 1- August 15, 2008

Hello Governor and Todd,

I met with the project managers, engineers and contractors to review the upcoming plumbing project. I've attached a copy of a basic overview of Phase 2 of the Water Pipe Replacement Project and also copied it below. Please note that there are a couple of questions that I have in regards to the project. If you would like detailed information I can get copies of the plans and project schedule, if not I'll have a set in the office. I'm happy to answer any questions or address any concerns that you may have.

Thank you,
Erika

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Phase Two Governor's House Water Pipe Replacement Project

Project Dates
Begin: June 2, 2008
Completion: August 15, 2008

Contractor: Silverbow Construction
Subcontractor: Harri's Plumbing & Heating

Contractor's Request: To start project 1 ½ weeks early Monday, May 26th.
Please advise if this will work with your schedule as the last day of school in Juneau is Wednesday, May 30th.

Governor or First Gentleman's Requests: Please let me know what rooms and floors are the priorities to have finished during the sheetrock/patch/repair phase of this project.

Impact to the House

- Water shut down to the building during the entire project.
- Demolition for 1 ½ weeks beginning with the basement and working up to the third floor. Plumbing work is followed up with inspections, then sheetrock, patch and repairs.

- The House will not be livable, hotel/living accommodations would be arranged for the First Family during their time in Juneau.

Basement- garage, family room, shop, mechanical room
1st Floor- Library and Ballroom
2nd Floor- Master Bedroom closet, Master bath and Family Room bath
3rd Floor- West & East Suite bathrooms, Linen closets.

This is a tight schedule with many unknown factors that can cause delays to the project. During the first phase of the project contractors had to work around House events, including the Open House and other holidays where they did not have access to the House for at least 2 weeks. With these interruptions and unexpected work, phase one of the project was still completed very close to the scheduled completion date. During the *second phase* there will not be events scheduled at the House, as this phase is more invasive to the public and living areas and the water will be shut off to the entire building. Given the track record of the contractors work during phase one I don't foresee any major delays with phase two.

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From: Frye, Ivy J (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRYE]

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 2:26 PM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: Bailey; Frank T (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: operating budget

Man, Gara is asking great questions on the op budget roll out. They were trying to skate by w/out mentioning which governor proposals were removed. Gara has already dinged them on the CBR approp and the Head Start approp.

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From: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:05 PM

To: 'mayor@ci.wasilla.ak.us'

Cc: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Richards; Frank T (DOT); Von Scheben; Leo (DOT); Keith; Gordon C (DOT)

Subject: Road / Ttransportation issues

Dear Mayor Keller:

It was a pleasure meeting you today. Please consider discussing the following issues at your next meeting with Central Region Director Gordon Keith:

1. The best location for a Fern Street connection to Knik Goose Bay Road;
2. The details and plans for the East Susitna Avenue Extension and Airport Boulevard, Phase I; and
3. Whether DOT is the proper entity to receive funds for the Knik-Goose Bay road traffic study.

I am forwarding your document on Moose-Vehicle Accident Mitigation to DOT's highway safety section.

The Senate Bill that would establish a grant program for libraries is SB 119 and is sponsored by Senator Olson. The bill is presently in the Senate Rules Committee.

Randy Ruaro

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:47 PM

To: Otto; Christina L (LAW); Lefebvre; Richard A (DNR); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); 'Sarah Palin'; 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com'; 'Kristan@KristanCole.com'; Bailey; Frank T (GOV)

Subject: HOLY CRAP Retraction and apology

From: Andrew Halcro [mailto:ahalcro@ptialaska.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 3:44 PM
To: Andrew Halcro
Subject: Feb 21: Retraction and apology

This afternoon we posted two different emails from sources associated with the dairy industry and Matanuska Maid who informed us that a State's Assistant District Attorney resigned over improper conduct with regards to the Creamery Board.
We have since been told the attorney did not resign.
Governor Palin's Deputy Press Secretary sent us this email at 1:33pm.
"Tina Otto, Assistant Attorney General for the State of Alaska, has not resigned. The Creamery Corporation has its own private counsel who continues to represent the corporation."
We sincerely apologize for printing these emails which were not correct.
In the past we have been fairly liberal about publishing emails from our sources at Matanuska Maid because they have always been spot on.
Regardless, we take full responsibility for the posting and assure our readers that in the future we will no longer publish raw emails on any subject.
While there is a fine line on blogs between opinion and fact, we strive to make sure our readers clearly understand where that line is with every blog.
We failed your trust today and we apologize.
Andrew

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 1:08 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Bailey; Frank T (GOV); 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com'; Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
Subject: FW: What is Happening??

FYI, from Halcro's website at the bottom of this email. Just wanted to give you a heads-up in case it is brought up today; didn't want anyone to get blindsided since Tina learned of this from Senator Green's office. Sharon is aware and between her and Tina, we'll take care of it.

From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:55 PM
To: Otto, Christina L (LAW); Austerman, Joseph M (CED); 'kccole@mtaonline.net'; Nix, Raymond G (DNR); Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR); Simons, Leta L (DNR)
Cc: Barry, Elizabeth J (LAW); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: RE: What is Happening??

Tina/All-

This is really getting out-of-hand. Something needs to be done to call him on this. He should not be allowed to defame people with outright lies. If it's not corrected, then people that read it will not know otherwise. I'm copying Sharon Leighow in on this. Sharon, bet he didn't call you to verify information like you asked him too.

And, as Kristan already answered the CC legal counsel is still working for the corporation.

As usual his facts are all wrong. He got your name right and that was about it.

Kris

From: Otto, Christina L (LAW)
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 12:41 PM
To: Austerman, Joseph M (CED); 'kccole@mtaonline.net'; Nix, Raymond G (DNR); Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR); Simons, Leta L (DNR); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Barry, Elizabeth J (LAW)
Subject: What is Happening??

I was quietly plugging away on trying to finish my outline regarding the dissolution process when Ginger from Senator Green's office called and told me to take a look at Halcro's Blog. This is what it says:

FLASH: Assistant Attorney General quits due to activity at Mat Maid

We received the following two emails less than thirty minutes apart this morning regarding a breaking situation with Governor Palin's Creamery Board.
Received at 10:43am
Just an FYI on the Mat Maid situation. Tina Otto, Assistant Attorney General who has been handling all the new Creamery Board affairs is resigning. She had been trying to keep the 5 Palin hand picked board members "coloring inside the lines" but is quitting because this bunch is running wild and doing things illegally. She does not want to get trapped by their wrongdoings after she has warned them that what they are doing is illegal. How many people fired or quitting will it take for this administration to realize her board is full of conflict of interest and law breaking? Is there no oversight at all?

I think I still have a job. ☺ Beyond that, I, of course, don't represent the Creamery Board. Did the CC board make a decision to find new counsel? I can't even imagine what prompted this.